
Morning Order of Service | 11th March 2007 @ 11am

Opening Praise (Led by Chris Currie)

JP97 *I've got a home in gloryland*, JP53 *God is so Good*, MP 325 *"I'm special"*, *"Love, love, LOVE."*

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for The Word

*"This is love: not that we loved
God, but that he loved us and
sent his Son as an atoning
sacrifice for our sins."
(1 John 4v10)*

Call to Worship

PRAISE *"How deep the Father's love for us"* MP 988

Prayer

Proclamation Of The Word

Children's Address

PRAISE *"Jesus Love is very wonderful"*

Reading *1 John 2v28-3v3* (Page 248)

Sermon *"A Child of God !"*

Response to the Word

PRAISE *"Behold the amazing gift of Love"* Hymn 396

Prayers of Intercession

Offering and Dedication

PRAISE *"When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound"* MP 759

Benediction

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10am **Sunday School and Bible Class** (Church halls)

10:30 **Prayer Time** (Minister's room). Everyone Welcome.

11am **Morning Worship** – Rev Curry

12:20 **Church Membership Classes** (*Minister's Room*)

2.30pm **Choir Practices** for the Holy Week Mission & Easter (*In Church*)

6pm **Evening Worship** – Rev Curry
After the service there will be an opportunity for tea and discussion.

7:15pm **Young People's Bible Study** "Family Likeness" | John 2^{v28} - 3^{v10}

Monday 12th

10:30am **Bible Study** (*Ladies*) "Family Likeness" | John 2^{v28} - 3^{v10} (*Minor Hall*)

7-8 pm **5 a side football** at Meadowbank for 16 yr + (cost £2.50) all welcome! *Further details - Philip Gorman (79300176) or Richard Campbell (86747384)*

7.45pm **Bowls** in the Main Hall.

8.30pm **Soul Mates** (*A Ladies walking group*) – leaving from Church Car park.
Further details from Caroline Hogg (79468747) or Judith Evans (79300672)

Tuesday 13th

9-9.30am **School Assembly** (MPS)

7-9pm **English language classes** for migrant workers (*Church Halls*)

7pm **Mission Awareness** will meet to discuss the distribution of finance to Mission Projects (*Graham Room*).

8pm **Finance and Strategy.** (*Graham Room*).

9pm **Kirk session Prayer time.** (*Graham Room*)

Wednesday 14th

10-12am **Parent and Toddlers.** All parents and carers with preschool children very welcome. *Mother's Day Craft this Wednesday.*

6-7.15pm **Girls Brigade - Explorers** Age 3-7

7-8.45pm **Girls Brigade - Juniors** Age 8-10

7.45-9.30pm **Girls Brigade - Seniors/Brigaders** Age 11+ years

8pm **Small Group Bible Study** "Family Likeness" | John 2^{v28} - 3^{v10} (*Home*)

Thursday 15th

7.45pm **Bowls** in the Main Hall.

8pm **Small Group Bible Study** "Family Likeness" | John 2^{v28} - 3^{v10} (*Minor hall, Graham Room*)

Saturday 17th

8-10pm **YOUTH@First** (for young people first form and over)

Next Sunday 18th March 2007

10am **Sunday School and Bible Class** (*Church halls*)

10:30 **Prayer Time** (*Minister's room*). Everyone Welcome.

11am **Morning Worship** – Rev Curry
Crèche - pre school (*Minor Hall*), Junior Church (*Main Hall*)

12:20 **Church Membership Classes** (*Minister's Room*)

6pm **Evening Worship** – Rev Smith
After the service there will be an opportunity for tea and discussion.

7:15pm **Young People's Bible Study**

Church Notices

1. Current **Suggestions for Prayer** leaflet is available. Items for prayer should be left in the prayer boxes or sent to LornaJCurry@hotmail.com.
2. **PWA** nomination forms to be given to Lorna or Anne today (12th) extra Forms available from Lorna. Next PWA meeting is on Tue 20th March special speaker Shirley Stronge (PCI Missionary, Malawi)
3. **Small Group Leaders** meet on Monday 19th March at 7:30 in the manse.
4. **Holy Week Mission "Easter – a 'Cross' the bridge to life."** Sunday 1st to Sunday 8th April. This year the speakers are Rev Curry and Rev Smith. Further details are in the prayer cards, which are available today. Please pray for this special week, plan to come and bring family and friends.
5. **Easter Sunday morning breakfast.** Easter Sunday Presbytery Dawn Service will be held at Slieve Gallion as usual. *If you are planning to be at this service we would invite you for breakfast afterwards. Further details from Jackie Smyth.*
6. The well-known speaker and author **John Blanchard** (his books include one entitled "Does God believe in Atheists") will be the speaker at a special service to be held on Thursday 20th Sept 2007 in First Magherafelt. This service has been arranged in conjunction with other local Presbyterian Churches. Please note this in your diary and plan to come and bring others.
7. **PWA Mission Box Collection** raised £2225.03 to date. Thank you to the contributors and collectors.
8. **Recycle old mobiles** and raise money to help Christians who are persecuted for their faith. Release International will receive an average of £3 for every mobile phone donated. Please return unwanted mobile phones to Jackie Smyth.

Other Notices

1. **MISSION IN IRELAND RALLIES** On Wednesday 14 March at 8pm in nine different venues. The closest venue is Moneymore where William Workman and David Boyd will take part.
2. **Coffee Evening** to be held in Moneymore Presbyterian Church Hall, Circular Road on Friday 16th March from 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Admission £3. Proceeds in aid of Tanzania 2007 Project.
3. **Praxis Care Group** urgently needs male & female volunteers in this locality. For more information contact Jo MacOscar on 028796 34488.
4. **Care for the Family** magazines are available on the information tables. This issue includes articles on Postnatal Depression, Alzheimer's disease and Eating Disorders. Please feel free to take one.

5. **Marie Curie Cancer Care Collection** in Magherafelt on Sat 3rd March raised £3121.16. Thank you to all for their generous support.

[Suggestions for Prayer](#)

MALAWI Margaret McClelland, a member of Whiteabbey Presbyterian Church is due to leave for Malawi next Wednesday (14th). An experienced mid-wife tutor, she will serve for two months in Ekwendeni Nursing School, assisting Mphatso Nguluwe, Deputy Principal of the Nursing School. Margaret expects to teach in the classroom each day, but will also be working in the hospital wards towards the end of her stay. Margaret is due home from Malawi on 9th May.

Please pray for Margaret::

- As she makes her final preparations for her trip to Malawi.
- For safety throughout her time away from home.
- For smooth travel to and from Malawi and for journeys in-country.
- That she will remain healthy and for her energy levels to remain high.
- As she settles into Malawi and for her work there.

KENYA At the girls' secondary school in Tuum, the girls are generally settling in well, and this weekend the Christian Union is due to begin.

Prayer Points –

- Give thanks for the way the girls are settling in to the new school.
- Pray for the setting up of the CU under the leadership of one of the new teachers called Pauline. Pray that many of the girls will come along.

A few weeks ago some money was stolen in Tuum. After the money had been stolen it was cursed by a group of men. As this money was later returned, the men came back to bless the money as they believed it had been poisoned by the curse they had given it. This was a great opportunity of Stephen and others to explain the gospel to these men. Stephen Cowan writes that this group is very hard to reach with the gospel as they are held in bondage by culture. Opportunities are special when they come along, for them to see that Jesus is greater than what they know and believe.

Prayer Points –

- Give thanks for this opportunity and pray that Christians in Tuum can build some more teaching around this witness.

Evening Order of Service @ 6pm Minor Hall (Led by Willie Gilmour)

Call to Worship

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| PRAISE | "Immortal Invisible" | (Hymn 32) |
| | "I hear Thy welcome Voice" | (Hymn 683) |
| | "In Christ alone" | |
| Praise (Children's) | "My God is so big" | (JP 169) |
| Sermon | <i>You asked about ... someone falling away and being lost</i> | |
| PRAISE | "One more step along the world I go" | (GtoG 60) |
| Benediction | | |

Then join us to **Talk About it** over Coffee in Main hall from 6:45-7pm

What are the things that should go with a profession of faith? If someone falls away can they have an assurance of Heaven? What helps to keep us walking with God?
